Title: Need to introduce Jana-Shatabdi Express between Sealdah and Murshidabad, West Bengal.

SHRI MOINUL HASSAN (MURSHIDABAD): Before British came to power in India, Murshidabad was the capital of Bengal. The last battle was fought by the Great sons of our country in Plassey which is in the district of Nadia in West Bengal.

Murshidabad also developed as a tourist attraction and nearly 15 lakh people visit Murshidabad yearly of which a sizeable number are foreign tourists. But there is no satisfactory transport system from the State capital, i.e. Kolkata in day time. Murshidabad is nearly 200 km. from Kolkata in Sealdah Division of Eastern Railway − Sealdah Lalgola route. In this route, there are other tourist spots such as Plassey and Nabadwip, the birth place of Sri Chaitannya which is nearer to Krishnanagar.

To improve the transportation system, I urge upon the Government of India to introduce a Jana-Shatabdi Express train from Sealdah to Murshidabad in the morning.